GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
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Bharat Mala Project
Hemamalini Smt. ;Mahtab Shri Bhartruhari

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the extent to which the Government has achieved the objectives of providing better connectivity to Border and Coastal areas through implementing the Bharat Mala Project in the country;

(b) the details of the total National Highways constructed/upgraded and funds spent under the said project so far, NH-wise;

(c) the details of the funds received by the Government from Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) under the said project along with its utilization so far;

(d) the number of complaints received by the Government for irregularities in implementation of the said project so far, State/UT-wise and the reasons therefor along with the present status of such complaints; and

(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for effective implementation of the said project in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) Development of 'Border and International connectivity roads' and 'Coastal and Port connectivity roads' have been included as components of the Bharatmala proposal as concurred upon by the Public Investment Board(PIB) in its meeting held on 16.06.2017. The concurred proposal would be placed before the CCEA shortly for approval.

While the border and international connectivity roads would provide connectivity to areas of strategic importance and international trade points, the coastal and port connectivity roads would boost both tourism and industrial development of the coastal region and facilitate EXIM trade through improved connectivity to non-major ports.

(b) to (e) Questions do not arise as implementation of Bharatmala would begin only after approval of the CCEA is obtained.

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